



The Importance of Summer Reading

By having your child continue reading throughout the summer, you will help develop life-long reading habits and also help maintain literacy skills that have been taught during the school year. There are many ways you can help your child continue the reading habit during the summer months.

- Let your child choose the books to read. Encourage a variety of genres (fiction, biographies, science, history, etc.).
- Visit the public library - it's free and has many summer programs available for children.
- Show your child that you like to read - set aside some time each week to read a book of your choice while your child reads also.
- Read to your child.
- While talking with your child, introduce higher level words to help build your child's vocabulary.
- Use music and rhymes to help young children develop strong reading skills, especially when reading aloud.

Some Recommended Books

Pre - K and Kindergarten

Bunting, Eve
Cronin, Doreen
Crowley, Ned
Dunbar, Joyce
Falconer, Ian
French, Vivian
Heo, Yumi
Hutchins, Pat
Knudsen, Michelle
Manning, Mick
Polacco, Patricia
Prince, April Jones
Ringgold, Faith

Flower Garden
Dooby, Dooby Moo
Ugh! A bug
A Chick Called Saturday
Olivia - and the Missing Toy
T. Rex
One Afternoon
Ten Red Apples
Library Lion
Yuck!
Mrs. Katz and Tush
What Do Wheels Do All Day?
Tar Beach

Ringgold, Faith

Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad
In the Sky

Segal, John
Soto, Gary
Stevens, Janet
Steptoe, John

Carrot Soup
Too Many Tamales
The Great Fuzz Frenzy
Baby Says

First and Second Grade

Adler, David
Bailey, Linda
Barber, Tiki
Chesworth, Michael
Clifton, Lucille
Cronin, Doreen
DePaola, Tomie
Dicamillo, Kate
Gibbons, Gail
Helmer, Marilyn
Heo, Yumi
Hoberman, Mary Ann
Hoffman, Mary
Karas, G, Brian
Knudsen, Michelle
Lester, Helen
McCall, Francis
Park, Barbara
Polacco, Patricia
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Reynolds, Peter
Rylant, Cynthia
Soto, Gary
Uhberg, Myron
VanLeeuwen, Jean

President George Washington
Stanley's Party
Game Day
Alphaboat
Everett Anderson's Friend
Diary of a Spider
Stagestruck
Mercy Watson Goes for a Ride
Dinosaur Discoveries
Yummy Riddles
One Afternoon
You Read to Me, I'll Read to You
Amazing Grace
On Earth
LibraryLion
Hooway for Wodney Wat
A Huge Hog is a Big Pig: A Rhyming Word Game
Junie B. Jones (Series)
Chicken Sunday
John Phillip Duck
Mrs. Katz and Tush
The Dot
Henry and Mudge and the Big Sleepover
Too Many Tamales
Dad, Jackie and Me
Oliver the Mighty Pig

Third and Fourth Grade

Atwater, Richard
Barretta, Gene
Begay, Shonto
Blume, Judy
Brown, Don
Bunting, Eve
Cameron, Ann
Cohen, Barbara
Coombs, Kate
Coren, Stanley
Curtis, Christopher, Paul
Davis, Ossie
Easley, MaryAnn
Fitzgerald, Elizabeth
Gardiner, John R.
Greenwood, Marie
Herzog, Brad

Mr. Popper's Penguins
Now and Ben: the Modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin
Ma'ii and Cousin Toad
Double Fudge
Odd Boy Out: Young Albert Einstein
Reggie
Stories Julian Tells
Molly's Pilgrim
The Secret Keeper
Why Do Dogs Have Wet Noses?
The Watsons Go to Birmingham
Just Like Martin
I am the Ice Worm
Aunt Flossie's Hats (and Crab Cakes Later)
Stone Fox
Explorer
T is for Touchdown: A Football Alphabet

Hopkins, Lee Bennett
Hurwitz, Johanna
Keating, Frank
Lowry, Lois
Lubar, David
Mayer, Marianna
Nam, Lensey
Pennybacker, Sara
Pitts, Mildred
Polacco, Patricia
Prelutsky, Jack
Rosen, Michael J.
Soto, Gary
Yolen, Jane
Zapater, Beatriz

Oh, No! Where are my Pants? And Other Disasters: Poems
PeeWee's Tale
Theodore
Number the Stars
Punished!
Pegasus
Yang the Youngest and His Terrible Ear
Clementine
Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World
Something About Hensley's
What a Day It was at School!: Poems
Balls!
Baseball in April and Other Stories
Mightier Than the Sword: World Folktales for Strong Boys
Three Kings Day

Fifth Grade

Breakler, Rosemary
Curtis, Christopher P.
Dahl, Roald
DiCamillo, Kate

Easley, MaryAnn
Fleischman, Sid
Gannett, Ruth Stiles
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Hendry, Linda
Higginsen, Vy
Juster, Norton
Keller, Helen
Konigsburg, E.L.
Konigsburg, E.L.
Lewis, C.S.
Lowry, Lois
Moss, Marissa
Naylor, Phyllis
O'Dell, Scott
Paterson, Katherine
Paulsen, Gary
Peck, Richard
Rowling, J. K.
Ryan, Pam, Munoz
Rylant, Cynthia
Sachar, Louis
Shute, Linda
Snicket, Lemony
Soto, Gary
Van Laan, Nancy
White, E.B.
White, Mary Ballis-

Hoang Breaks the Lucky Teapot
Bud, Not Buddy
James and the Giant Peach
Because of Winn Dixie
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane
I am the Ice Worm
The Giant Rat of Sumatra, or Pirates Galore
My Father's Dragon
Willow Run
Dog Crafts
Mama, I Want to Sing
The Phantom Tollbooth
The Story of My Life: Helen Keller
The View from Saturday
The Outcasts of 19 Schuyler Place
The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe
Number the Stars
Rose's Journey: The Story of a Girl in the Great Depression
Shiloh
Island of the Blue Dolphins
The Great Gilly Hopkins
The River
A Year Down Under
Harry Potter books
Becoming Naomi Leon
Missing May
Holes
Rabbit Wishes
A Series of Unfortunate Events books
Baseball in April and Other Stories
In a Circle Long Ago: A Treasury of Native Lore
Charlotte's Web
Sheltering Rebecca